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Playing for gold



Jennifer Rigg/Staff photographer

Casey Hendrickson, a participant in Friday's Special Olympics, tries to jump as far as he can in the running long jump event. The Special Olympics were held at O'Brien Field.

Athletes give it their all, have fun competing

By **Camille Garcia**
Staff writer

The race for the gold ended Friday as teams competed and won at the annual Special Olympics competition.

Many local high schools and grade schools competed for the gold at the event.

Events included the standing and running long jump, high jump, relay races, tennis ball toss and a talent show.

Coaches and helpers also came from all over. Most of the coaches were teachers at the competing high schools or grade schools.

Robert Fredericksen, a junior history education major, spent the day helping out

the athletes.

“It was a challenging but fun experience. This was my first year helping out, but I am pretty sure I will do it next year,” Fredericksen said.

The most rewarding thing to Fredericksen was watching the athletes win.

“They work so hard for this one day,” he said. “It is great to see kids work at healthy competition and accomplish their goals.”

The students can start competing at 8 years old, said Debbie Thoren, a coach for the Charleston High School relay team, along with Judy Hatti, and Jan Samuels.

This year, Thoren’s relay team took

home the gold medal. The relay team members were Marisa Reed, Trey Stokes, Daniel Duchow, Micheal Bielefeldt and team captain Robert Stine.

“I am excited my team worked really hard and I couldn’t have done it without the coaches,” Stine, 9, said.

The day did not come without any hardships, though.

“During the 50-meter dash, I almost crashed,” Bielefeldt said. “I was running and my leg hurt, but I feel good. I am okay.”

Overall, the day was a success for everyone who participated. The team and the coaches said they all were excited to win.

Log cabin offers a historical flashback

Lincoln’s home gives visitors a look at the past

By **Jeff Yeagle**
Staff writer

Imagine what it was like to live during the mid-1800’s. With a visit to the Lincoln Log Cabin one can catch a glimpse of what life was like in Charleston during the 1840s.

Tom Vance, the historical site manager, said the cabin is a unique attraction because of its history, special events and its new renovations.

“It’s a fun way to experience history,” he said.

The cabin was home to Thomas and Sarah Lincoln, parents of the 16th president. Abraham used to visit his parents at their cabin when he was travelling the Eighth Judicial Circuit, Vance said.

Abe would travel with a judge and other lawyers and offer his legal services to local townspeople when they went to court.

Lincoln’s travels home are recognized at the cabin by a special event titled “Abraham’s Visit.”

During “Abraham’s Visit,” attendants dress the parts of Thomas, Sarah, and Abe, Vance said.

Thomas and Sarah welcome Abe home and sit down to listen to Abe’s stories of his recent travels. People are welcome to join in on the event from 2 to 4 p.m. on May 13 at the cabin.

Another special event happening this spring is the “Sheep to Clothing and Heirloom Garden Fair,” Vance said.

“Other than the Harvest Frolick, which is in the fall, the Sheep to Clothing and Heirloom Garden Fair is our most popular event,” he said.

At the event, the staff and volunteers go through the steps of processing wool from sheep to finished clothing. Sheep shearing, dyeing, weaving, and spinning wool are all demonstrated.

The Sheep to Clothing and Heirloom Garden Fair is from noon to 4 p.m. May 6.

There are some new renovations to the Lincoln Log Cabin this year. The visitor’s center has been renovated and now offers a 15-minute orientation film that runs continually.

There are also two new picnic pavilions and a playground for visitors to enjoy, Vance said.

For more information about the Lincoln Log Cabin call (217) 345-1845 or visit their Web site www.lincolnlogcabin.org.

Surles to discuss state of university

By **Patrick Guinane**
Administration editor

Today Eastern President Carol Surles will present the annual State of the University Address.

The speech, being held at 1 p.m. in the Roberson Auditorium, Lumpkin Hall Room 122, traditionally highlights the year in review and states goals for the university’s future.

The State of the University Address is usually presented in March. Last year President Surles gave her first address at Eastern on Tuesday, March 29. However, this semester she was on a leave of absence until March 26 while recovering from breast cancer.

Regarding the timing of her speech, in a written response President Surles said, “In my view, this is the best time of year – a time to reflect on the university’s work during the academic year.

“It is also a time to celebrate the accomplishments of students, faculty, and staff,” Surles said.

As for what her address will focus on, Surles said, “I will include in my remarks some of the university’s accomplishments over the past year; comment on the appropriations process; and suggest how the university should continue its work over the next year.”

The specifics of Surles’ speech is still unknown, but Jill Nelsen, vice president for external relations, did offer some broad

insight.

“In the past the president’s speech tended to focus on goals for the university and accomplishments of the past year,” she said.

Working as the vice president for student affairs for 15 years, Lou Hencken has seen quite a few state of the university addresses.

“Each one is different really,” he said. Each year the speech changes to cater to the school year about to end, and the next school year approaching.

Last year, in her first address, President Surles dismissed rumors that she might join the staff of George W. Bush if his presidential bid was successful. Adhering to her promise, Surles remains in Charleston after more than a year, while Bush has moved to Washington D.C.

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Walk supports victims

By Jeff Yeagle
Staff writer

Martin Luther King once said, “At the center of non-violence is the principle of love.” This was theme at the fifth annual 5k walk/run for non-violence co-sponsored by the Haiti Connection and Epsilon Sigma Alpha Saturday at the Newman Catholic Center.

About 100 students committed to non-violence participated in the event.

“It’s good to see so many people get involved and to take a stance against domestic violence,” said Kevin Walker, a junior physical education major.

The participants raised money and awareness as a way of standing in solidarity with victims of domestic violence. More than \$2,200 was raised by the walkers and runners. Donations came from local businesses and cam-

pus organizations as well as from friends and family of the participants, said Roy Lanham, the lay director for the Newman Center.

“This is the most money we’ve ever raised from this event,” Lanham said.

Eighty percent of the money raised will go to the Haiti Connection projects that focus on the environment, nutrition and health care; the other 20 percent will be donated to the Charleston Coalition Against Domestic Violence, he said.

A “Wall of Violence” was built out of articles about violence. After the walk, participants contributed to the wall by adding quotes and suggestions of how to stop violence.

One student reflected on her good experience after completing the walk.

“It was a worthwhile event because it brought so many people together for such a good cause,”

“It’s good to see so many people get involved and to take a stance against domestic violence.”

Kevin Walker,
junior physical education major.

” said Abbie Franzten, a junior special education major. “To see all the people support such an important issue together makes it a stronger effort to stopping domestic violence.”

Cheryl King, co-organizer of the event, said, she was happy with the outcome of the event.

“It’s awesome to see so many people get involved to help raise money and spread awareness,” King said.

Editors, goals selected for yearbook

By Jessica Danielewicz
Campus editor

With the end of the school year, the Warbler yearbook staff will change leadership.

Jessica Personette, a sophomore journalism major, and Christine Demma, a junior journalism major, have been selected to be the co-editors of the Warbler 2001-2002.

Personette has served on the yearbook staff for the past two years as news editor last year and campus editor this year. She also has been a staff writer and a copy editor for *The Daily Eastern*

News.

Demma served as co-editor of her high school yearbook for two years, and has been a staff writer, student government editor and a copy editor for DEN

Both co-editors are excited for their positions and have definite plans to improve the yearbook in the next year. They plan to change the organization to put the book in



Christine Demma



Jessica Personette

sections rather than the chronological organization of the past.

“My goal for the yearbook is to make it memorable for Eastern students,” Demma said.

This year also will be the first year the two years will not be combined, and staff members will have time to improve the quality, Personette said.

“Christine and I can work together

to get the yearbook out on time,” Personette said.

Both co-editors want to include a wider variety of students in the book next year. This will be accomplished by interviewing more people and getting more pictures, Personette said.

“I hope to attract more students to take their yearbook pictures because the yearbook is forever, and being a part of it should be an honor,” Demma said.

Anyone interested in being a staff editor for the 2001-2002 Warbler can call Personette or Demma at 581-2812 or stop by the newsroom, 1811 Buzzard Hall, to fill out an application.

UB Spring Fling No Boundries fills South Quad

By Carrie Ladage
Staff writer

Students found themselves feeling like little kids again while riding down huge blow-up slides and beating each other senseless with plastic bats like gladiators use in the South Quad Saturday.

The University Board sponsored the event “No Boundaries: Spring Fling” as an end of the

year event.

Another popular activity at the Spring Fling was a contraption that held people by a bungee cord, so they could flip around freely and jump dozens of feet in the air.

The Spring Fling even brought a spiritual side to the campus.

“My favorite part was the palm reader,” said Tara Dunham, a sophomore speech communica-

tion major. “I felt totally psyched afterward because everything she said was exactly right about me.”

Others enjoyed the artistic side of the event as well.

“I liked the caricatures the best,” said Stacy Sharkey, a sophomore fashion merchandising major.

Some students said they just came to the event for the free food.

“I’m always looking for a

great snow cone,” said Dan O’Connor, a junior administrative information systems major.

Students also were able to show off their musical ability while singing karaoke at the top of their lungs.

Some of the tunes included songs from the Dixie Chicks and the Beach Boys.

“I would have gotten out there and sang, but no one would do it with me,” Dunham said.

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Personals

Brain Heintz, you will be truly be missed. IKE'S won't be the same without you.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WOMEN OF ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA ON BEING IM CHAMPS FOR THE SPRING 2001 SEMESTER!

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Jenny Sillitti & Shelly Elliott of ASA~Goodbye & Good Luck! We're going to miss you! Alpha Love~Your Sisters

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Laura Glombowski and Hilary Tharp: I will truly miss you both. Good Luck Alpha love and all of mine. Cheri.

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Marcie Marzullo of KD- your sisters

Personals

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Congratulations Becky Kiehl of Kappa Delta for receiving the Panhellenic Cabinet position of Community Service. You will do a great job.

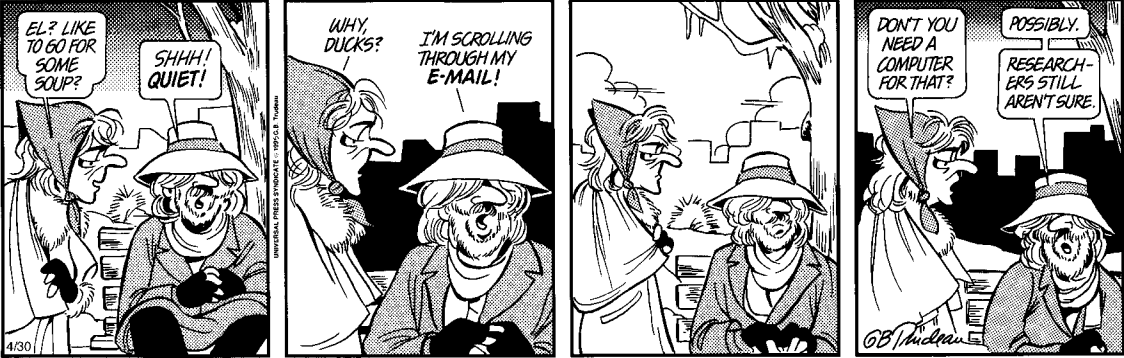
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Brook Riefsteck of Kappa Delta you were a superstar in the stepshow. Great Job!

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Kee Dee Ladies- study hard!

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Kappa Delta wishes the best of luck to Teresa Lendino with her Counseling Center Liaison cabinet position on Panhellenic Council.

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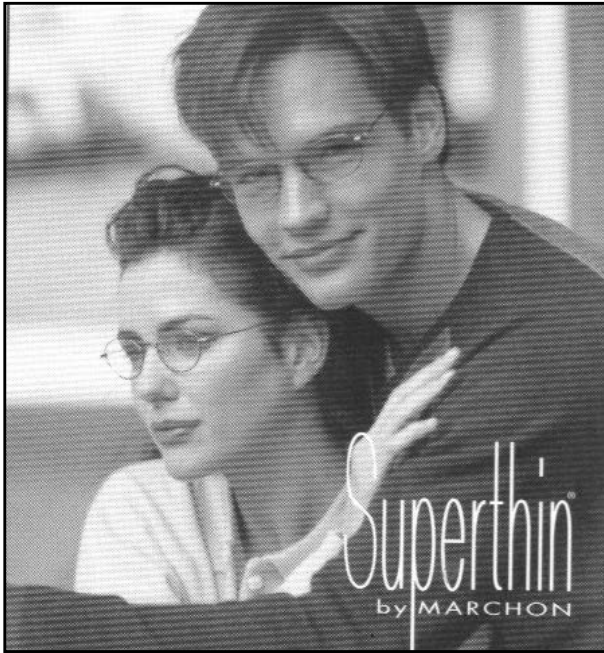
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Culture in the Quad



Top right : Reflections of Celebration spectators are seen in a photograph featured at the Harrison Phillips display.

Far top left: Katherine Huskey, a junior industrial technology major, checks out the tie-dyed T-shirts on Saturday afternoon in the Library Quad during the second day of Celebration.

Middle right: The art of making toe rings was explained at the Rose Art Designs table on Saturday afternoon at Celebration. Rosemary Gruber of Charleston explains how to craft a toe ring to Nichole Claus, a senior speech communication major, in the Library Quad.

Bottom left: Mak Dervo of Stone City, Iowa, walked through Celebration serenading people in attendance in between band performances on Saturday afternoon. Dervo played an adnian pan-flute as he improvised a song for passers-by during Celebration. Scotty Hayward is the other strolling minstrel who played a Jamaican marimbula to take along with him.

Bottom right: Toward the end of Orchestra Son's performance on Saturday afternoon at Celebration, band members started to let loose and dance along to the songs. The band entertained the Celebration crowd for about two hours with its Afro-Cuban music in the Library Quad.

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Food, music and fun

By Lee Keller
Staff writer

The sound of music; the smells of corn dogs, gyros and other foods; and the sights of students and community members enjoying the day took over the Library Quad all weekend.

Eastern's annual Celebration: A Festival of the Arts took place Friday through Sunday. Celebration has been an annual event since 1977.

"The goal of the festival is to educate, enlighten and entertain," said Dan Crews, the chair for Celebration since 1995. "We try to offer a real variety to let people see things they normally wouldn't see otherwise."

The Tarble Arts Center and What's Cookin' sponsored a Kid's

Art Activities booth. The children made puppets, face masks and had their faces painted.

"We have been really busy all day," said Dorothy Bennett, a worker at the booth. "We have had a lot of enthusiastic young artist participating."

Dan Crews said he was pleased with the outcome of the event.

"We average between 8,000 and 12,000 people coming every year," Crews said. "This has been an exceptional year though; the weather has been beautiful."

The festival is designed for everyone in the community, including the students.

"I mark it down on my calendar every year. I have been looking forward to Celebration for months," said Nikki Patzner, a junior family and consumer sciences major.

Life here is pretty good, so take advantage of it

Most times you don't know what you have until it is taken away from you. Or in this case, you can't truly appreciate what you have until you have suffered through the worst and then suddenly have greatness thrust at you.

Of course, with this I am referring to the evolution of Panther sports over the past four years.

When I arrived on campus in the fall of 1997, the Eastern athletic program as a whole was not much to speak of. The program was stocked full of mediocre teams with an occasional glimpse of greatness. Certainly nothing to get excited about though.

But this year, a lot of that has changed. After three long years of being one of only a few hundred students in the stands at football and basketball games, going to games became the thing to do.

In 1997, the football team was one game away from going to the playoffs. The next two years, they were a few games away from going winless. After a 2-10 season last year, this year the football team almost repeated the famed turnaround that brought the school its only national championship two decades ago.

The women's soccer team continued its

brilliance, capturing its second straight Ohio Valley Conference regular season championship. The Panthers then fell to Tennessee Tech 1-0 in a double overtime loss in the tournament championship game.

But that didn't take away from what the team had already accomplished.

The volleyball team rounded out the fall with a loss in the semifinals of the OVC tournament after recording its ninth straight winning season. And this after playing three rounds of musical coaches in the past three years.

Betty Ralston left to take the position of Director of Compliance and was succeeded by Andrew Epperly, whose stint at coach was abruptly cut short in favor of current head

Power Alley



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coach Brenda Winkeler.

But through all of it the team kept winning. And then came the winter sports season. When I look back at this entire year, the thing I will remember more than anything else will be watching the amazing OVC championship game and the amazing first eight minutes of Eastern's first round loss to Arizona in the NCAA tournament.

I mention only the first eight minutes because I find it is better to just forget the rest of the game. Denial is a wonderful and powerful thing. I suggest trying it sometime.

Over the past four years I had gone to games that drew more than 500 fans only because the athletic department got cute with the attendance figures.

After watching tumble weed roll across the floor for three seasons, I was amazed to see that Lantz Gym could actually be full to capacity.

And that brings us to baseball season. The Panthers are off to a spectacular start and barring any sort of collapse that resembles the 1969 Cubs, Eastern will be well on its way to capturing the OVC title.

And after that, who knows what?

Since the school year started way back in August, Eastern's athletic program has provided at least one winner in each of the three athletic seasons.

I can remember back when the university would struggle to put out one winner over the course of an entire year. Back then I lived in Carman Hall, so I had to hike five miles to O'Brien Stadium in the snow and wind that characterizes a Charleston winter with no shoes on because I was a first semester freshman with no job.

Well, it wasn't quite that bad, but some of the athletic teams certainly were.

And that is why I can sit back now and say it was a damn good year. I can say that because I sat through some of the worst times.

Eastern hosted the OVC soccer tournament, sent the football team to Montana for the playoffs and went crazy at midnight when the basketball team returned from Nashville all in the past few months.

Yep, life here is pretty good now. Take advantage of it while you can because who knows what people will be saying at this time next year.

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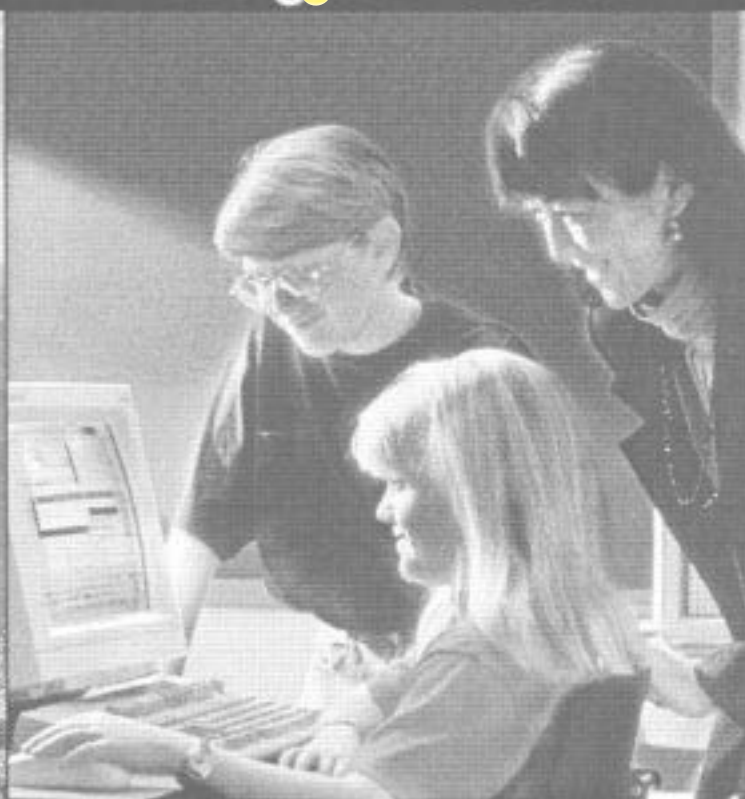
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